

# Shared Ancient Ancestors

## NOTES:

- (1) The Romein and DeMik families share an ancient ancestral lineage that can be traced as far back as the 12th Century in the area that would become Zuid-Holland (South Holland) in the Netherlands. In ancient times, this area comprised unconnected islands situated in the midst of lakes and flooded waters from the North Sea.
- (2) The Dutch often refer to people who lived in Zuid-Holland in those days as *The Ancients*. Since the area was sparsely populated, countless thousands of families, including the Romein and DeMik families, can trace their roots to these same Ancients.
- (3) The earliest known Romein/DeMik shared ancient ancestor was a man named Rutgher, who was born in 1170 A.D. (Generation 1).
- (4) DOEN BEIJENSZ DE JONGE (Generation 10) had two wives: NEELTJE WOLLEBRAND JANS DR BOOT and HAESKEN ELIZABETH HOGENDIJK. Doen's offspring included two sons: WILLEM DOENSZ BEIJENS and CORNELIS DOENSZ ZON BEIJENS. There is a great deal of uncertainty as to which of Doen's wives, Neeltje or Haesken, was the mother of Willem and/or Cornelis. Thus, Willem and Cornelis were either brothers or half-brothers. Most likely they were half-brothers, as reflected in the information below.
- (5) Although uncertain, it appears WILLEM DOENSZ BEIJENS and IDA JANS DR began the DeMik family lineage and CORNELIS DOENSZ ZON BEIJENS and BAARTJE JANS DR began the Romein family lineage (Generation 11).
- (6) IDA JANS DR and BAARTJE JANS DR were from different families.
- (7) *Significant variations* are found in information sources regarding the spelling of names, the listing of dates, and the structure of generational relationships. In addition, numerous online family trees erroneously add the surname Van Driel to the names of The Ancients. The name Van Driel does not appear until later centuries.

### Generation 1

RUTGHER was born in 1170. He married UNKNOWN.

*Rutgher and Unknown were the parents of Beijen Rutghersz.*

### Generation 2

BEIJEN RUTGHERSZ was born about 1198. He married UNKNOWN.

*Beijen Rutghersz and Unknown were the parents of Rutgher Beijensz.*

### Generation 3

RUTGHER BEIJENSZ was born about 1228 and died in 1259. He married UNKNOWN before 1259. She was born about 1232 and died in 1317.

*Rutgher Beijensz and Unknown were the parents of Dirck Rutghersz.*

### Generation 4

DIRCK RUTGHERSZ was born about 1259 and died after 1337. He married UNKNOWN about 1287. She was born about 1260.

*Dirck Rutghersz and Unknown were the parents of Rutgheer Diddelicksz.*

### **Generation 5**

RUTGHEER DIDDERICKSZ was born about 1288 and died 19 Jun 1357. He married UNKNOWN about 1315. She was born about 1288.

*Rutgheer Diddericksz and Unknown were the parents of Beijen Rutgersz.*

### **Generation 6**

BEIJEN RUTGERSZ was born in 1324 and died 08 Jun 1408. He married Lijsbeth in 1351. She was born about 1328 and died before 1408.

*Beijen Rutgersz and Lijsbeth were the parents of Beijen Beijensz.*

### **Generation 7**

BEIJEN BEIJENSZ was born about 1351 and died 08 Jun 1408. He married LIJSBETH VAN DOENS about 1374. She was born about 1354 and died 17 Dec 1385.

*Beijen Beijensz and Lijsbeth van Doens were the parents of Doen Beijensz de Oude.*

### **Generation 8**

DOEN BEIJENSZ DE OUDE (the older) was born about 1376 and died 11 Sep 1452. He married MARGRIET HEIJNDRICKSDR DROOGENDIJK about 1406. She was born about 1377 and died about 1446.

*Doen Beijensz de Oude and Margriet Heijndricksdr Droogendijk were the parents of Beijen Doensz.*

### **Generation 9**

BEIJEN DOENSZ was born about 1406 and died 18 Jan 1485. He married LIJSBETH BARTELMEESEDR DRAPENIER about 1433. She was born about 1413 and died 17 Dec 1485.

*Beijen Doensz and Lijsbeth Bartelmeesdr Drapenier were the parents of Doen Beijensz de Jonge.*

### **Generation 10**

DOEN BEIJENSZ DE JONGE (the younger) was born in 1442 and died 16 Dec 1515. He married (1) NEELTJE WOLLEBRANDS JANS DR BOOT about 1458. She was born about 1440 and died about 1467. He married (2) HAESKEN ELIZABETH HOGENDIJK in 1467. She was born about 1435 and died in 1515.

*(1) Doen Beijensz de Jonge and Neeltje Wollebrands Jansdr Boot were the parents of Willem Doensz Beijens.*

*(2) Doen Beijensz de Jonge and Haesken Elizabeth Hogendijk were the parents of Cornelis Doenszoon Beijens.*

### **Generation 11**

(1) WILLEM DOENSZ BEIJENS was born about 1458 and died about 1556. He married IDA JANS DR about 1504. She was born about 1475 and died in 1561.

*Willem Doensz Beijens and Ida Jansdr began the DeMik lineage.*

(2) CORNELIS DOENSZOOM BEIJENS was born about 1470 and died 16 Jan 1542. He married BAARTJE JANS DR about 1505. She was born about 1480 and died in 1551.

*Cornelis Doenszoon Beijens and Baartje Jansdr began the Romein lineage.*